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El Tejon Ranch.

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Mr. J.J. Terrell,
Special Indian Agent,
General Delivery,
San Francisco, Cal.

My dear Mr. Terrell:

There is enclosed herewith a copy of a letter dated December 4, 1915, from Mr. Harry Chandler of Los Angeles, California.

The Superintendent of the Tule River School brought to the attention of the Office various communications from citizens ofakersfield, California, who reported a rumor that the owners of El Tejon Ranch were not favorably disposed to its occupation by the Indians.

Mr. Chandler's letter indicates that the Indians are welcome tenants on the ranch property; that the land is being rented to them for \$1.00 a year, and that the proprietor owning the property has not in any way changed its friendly attitude toward them.

In view of the enclosed letter, the Office has this day advised the Superintendent of the Tule River School that it is satisfied to have this arrangement continued for the present. The Office appreciates, however, that the condition of these Indians as tenants on El Tejon Ranch is not entirely

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satisfactory, as there can be no assurance that they will always receive such consideration at the hands of the owner of the property. Therefore, the matter is brought to your attention for the purpose of having you ascertain at the earliest suitable opportunity whether or not it would be possible to procure for these Indians a small tract of land in the vicinity of their present location, which is about 35 miles from Bakersfield. If a satisfactory tract could be purchased at a reasonable price on which these Indians would be willing to locate, the Office will be very glad to give the matter consideration.

Very truly yours,

(Signed E. B. Meritt)

Assistant Commissioner.

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Carbon to Tule River.
Carbon to Walker River.